

EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

1. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Frederick Gibb (Reg. No. 37629) on March 12, 2008.

The application has been amended as follows (NOTE: only amended claims listed below):

17. The method in claim [16] 15, all the limitations of which are incorporated herein by reference, wherein said generating of said second vector space model comprises counting, for each word in said first dictionary, a number of said second documents in which said word occurs.

26. A program device readable by machine, tangibly embodying a program of instructions executable by the machine to perform said method in claim [25] 23, all the limitations of which are incorporated herein by reference, said method further comprising generating a second vector space model by counting for each word in said first dictionary, a number of said second documents in which said word occurs.

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Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to KYLE R. STORK whose telephone number is (571)272-4130. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Friday (8:00-4:30).

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Stephen Hong can be reached on (571) 272-4124. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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